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SUBJ: THIEU, MINH FILE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDACIES

1. WIRE SERVICES HAVE REPORTED THAT PRESIDENT THIEU AND GENERAL DUONG VAN MINH OFFICIALLY FIELD THEIR PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDACIES AT THE SUPREME COURT JULY 29, THE FIRST DAY OF THE CANDIDACY FILING PERIOD WHICH ENDS AUG4. MINH'S PETITION REPORTEDLY INCLUDED 44 ENDORSEMENTS FROM 16 SENATORS AND 28 LH DEPUTIES. PAPCE AIDE REFUSED TO DISCLOSE TO THE PRESS HOW MANY SIGNATURES THIEU'S PETITION CARRIED. AS OF EVENING JULY 29 NO OTHER CANDIDATES--INCLUDING VICE PRESIDENT KY-- HAVE FILED THEIR APPLICATIONS.
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